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DEPARTMENT
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Helena, Mont., December 1, 1904.

Dear Sir:

The board of trustees of the historical and miscellaneous department of the State Library, pursuant to and as required by subdivision 7 of Section 2382 of the Political Code, herewith submit a statement of all important transactions of said department for the two years last past, together with suggestions as to what we deem necessary for the increased utility of said department. Our statement is embodied in the accompanying comprehensive report of the librarian, to whose untiring and intelligent efforts the gratifying condition of the library is chiefly due. Her work cannot be too highly commended.

Suggestions.

That portion of the report of the librarian appearing under the title "Recommendations," is addressed primarily to this board and will have consideration from time to time, as opportunity may offer. Some of the recommendations, however, are of such character as to require legislative action before they can be favorably acted upon by this board. Among these are the following, as to which we very earnestly recommend that such appropriations be made and such legislation enacted as will enable this board to carry the recommendations into effect:

1. The furnishing or completion of the three vaults in the sub-basement.
2. The publication of 500 copies of the biennial report of the board of trustees, the same to include the report of the librarian, or as much thereof as in the judgment of the board may be of sufficient interest to the public to justify the expense of publication.
3. The publication in 1905 of a book catalogue.
4. The publication in 1906 of volume VI of "Contributions."
5. The employment of trained assistants.
6. The purchase of the bound files of the "Herald."
7. The publication in convenient form of state library laws.

8. The purchase of new books that should be on the library shelves, but cannot be obtained by exchange.

We also approve the recommendation of the librarian for the adoption of a state flag having a blue field with a representation of the great seal of the state in the center.

Respectfully submitted,

MASSENA BULLARD,

W. E. CULLEN, Jr.,

CORNELIUS HEDGES, Jr.,

Trustees of Historical and Miscellaneous Department of State Library.

HON. JOSEPH K. TOOLE,

Governor of Montana.

State Library

HISTORICAL AND MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENT.

Report of the Secretary and Librarian for the Years 1903-1904.

To the Hon. Massena Bullard, President of the Board of Trustees.

Sir: We herewith present the Seventh Biennial Report of the department in your charge, as required in Section 2381, Political Code of Montana.

It is my pleasure to state that this library is rapidly assuming its proper position among the state libraries of the country, particularly so in the western section.

Two years ago, upon the completion of the handsome quarters provided for this department of the state library, we were chagrined and heartsore over the fact that it was to be installed in the old pine stacks used in the former quarters in the Court House for so many years, instead of having metal furniture, such as had been provided for the law department.

The Eighth Legislative Assembly should ever be held in grateful memory by the friends and patrons of this department, for its generous appropriation, as should the Governor and Secretary of State, both of whom recommended to that body that our appeal for new furniture should be granted.

We now have the library equipped in modern style, with conveniences such as are not to be found in all Western libraries. The change in the appearance is marvelous. The compliments received from the hundreds of visitors and patrons as they pass through the rooms should convince any of the legislators that the money was well invested. The opportunity afforded us of association with the state officers, being in the same building with them, has been improved so as to make the library useful to them. We think it has been helpful to every one in the building—that has been our aim. The additional room so generously given us by the Board of Examiners for an office is handsomely furnished

and well equipped with metal cabinets for maps, cases with wire fronts and locks for valuable old and rare books, and a well furnished vault for manuscripts, photographs, volumes of the Historical Society in stock, etc. This room, quiet and well lighted, with its very large desk, affords an ideal study for visitors and students of literature.

Reorganization.

The organization of a small library is no small task, but an old library in a state of confusion such as this was in, with books piled on the floor in heaps in the Court House, and no records kept of the additions, made it more difficult, and after the removal to the Capitol the unpleasant task of tearing down the old stacks which were used for a year and replacing the new ones was no small matter. Now that it is accomplished begins the arduous task of arranging the vast bulk of material gathered in the past years. The classification, accessioning, cataloguing and shelf-listing of such a stock would make a less brave spirit than your librarian possesses quail. It has had to be roughly classified and placed convenient of access upon the shelves temporarily, and also accessioned in order to show the sources and nature of gift or purchase and finally catalogued. With so much pressure upon us in the daily work, the staff has been able to do but a small part of the labor before us, but the library is now in fairly good condition. The best of methods are in use. All new books are catalogued and accessioned as soon as received and the old stock as rapidly as possible. The library has been rendered usable, at least, although much remains to be accomplished before it is up to the ideal we have in view. We append some statistics to show you what has been done along the lines just mentioned.

ACCESSIONS 1903-1904.

U. S. Government documents.....	558 volumes
Exchange with state libraries for state documents	661 volumes
Exchange with Historical Societies and individuals	137 volumes
Books received from state officers	101 volumes
Gifts from individuals	190 volumes
Purchase	116 volumes
Old volumes received prior to 1899, accessioned	1,250 volumes
Bound magazines and pamphlets	585 volumes
Other sources	20 volumes
Total accessions to Dec. 1, 1904.....	3,618 volumes

Number copies Volume I sold.....	2
Number copies Volume II sold.....	12
Number copies Volume III sold.....	15
Number copies Volume IV sold.....	19
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Total	58
Number copies Volume I on hand.....	135
Number copies Volume II on hand.....	178
Number copies Volume III on hand.....	224
Number copies Volume IV on hand.....	522
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Total	1,059
Number of newspapers of state on file	100
Number magazines and out of state papers	45
Number newspaper bundles tied in past two years	953
Number newspapers bound	125
Number pamphlets and magazines bound.....	95
Bundles of express sent out.....	700

It should be borne in mind that the force has been limited to two persons since last June, owing to lack of funds, and during these months we have prepared for publication Volume V, of Contributions, the largest volume yet issued by the department. The duties of the reference clerk during a campaign are heavy. We receive calls from all parts of the state from public speakers and writers for data which requires a great deal of copying work, for we cannot loan our books and papers to out-of-town citizens; the law does not contemplate such loans. The library is becoming more and more useful in this way. The public is gradually learning that it is open to their use and has begun to seek its books when working in its particular field. Other libraries in and out of the state send readers to us when the question can best be answered by a book on our shelves.

Growth.

The growth of the library has been constant, about one hundred to one hundred and fifty books having been received per month, but it is a matter of deep regret that we have not been able to buy books of highest value to us and which ought to be found upon the shelves of the State Library. Owing to fires of years ago, and from other causes not known to us, many of the sets of State and United States Documenta are broken, and many books of value to a state library are not possessed by us. It will be a positive necessity to have for the next few years a liberal appropriation with which to purchase books to complete these sets and to procure books which cannot be gotten by our exchange system. We should have an appropriation for these two

departments equal to the amount given to the law department. The largest gift of books since our last report came from Mr. O. A. Southmayd of Helena. It included many valuable histories and out-of-print volumes. The largest collection of magazines came from Col. Fred Harper of Helena.

Pa^tronage.

It is a pleasure to be able to report the increased use of the library, as has been noted elsewhere. The librarian for the past two years has labored strenuously to render its treasures accessible to the citizens interested in literary matters, realizing as she does that a library supported by public taxation is for use rather than to be regarded as a mere storage room for books. Every effort possible has been put forth to encourage patronage, with the result that the number of persons visiting the library for purposes of consultation has been greatly increased. We believe, however, that few of our people really know of the vastness and richness of our library collection along certain lines.

We are persuaded that with our enlarged facilities and better accommodations and with more generous provision for public wants, we can awaken a genuine library enthusiasm, the influence of which will be felt in every part of the state.

Cataloguing.

A number of years ago Mr. Patten took charge of the Helena Public Library. He classified it, accessioned and catalogued it, and left it one of the best organized libraries west of St. Paul. Among the trustees who were associated with Mr. Patten and who aided him in this good work were Gov. Toole (then a private citizen), Mr. Norman Holter and others whose intelligent helpfulness and support were invaluable factors in attaining this degree of excellence. He was permitted to send to Madison, Wis., for a cataloguer to help him. She remained for two years. We will have to do the same thing. It is impossible to catch up in the work that has accumulated and perform the daily duties devolving upon us. We have worked early and late and have been able to accession a very small portion of the books on hand when the present librarian took charge. We have only been able to catalogue Montana documents and writers.

Mr. Patten states that twenty-five cents per volume should be allowed for catalogue expense. That includes at least three cards, author, subject and title cards. There should be a room set apart for cataloguing. This room may be used also for the assistant in charge of the scrapbook and manuscript work. The same room could be fitted up with the oak cases we have on hand for shelving the overflow of books from main stackroom now accumulating.

A recent Rhode Island report states that they have some 17,000 volumes. They have employed an expert cataloguer for one year, and her work does not include sets of U. S. Documents nor those of the several states, which will be taken up later.

The crowded condition of the library necessitates the use of the sub-basement, which is really unfit, because of dampness of the north wall and lack of proper light and ventilation. Not a book in these rooms is worth less than \$2.00, and many of them \$10.00 and higher, notably the out-of-print volumes. If it were not for the excellent book-lift placed the past year it would be much more difficult to handle the volumes on the lower floor.

Rules.

We would respectfully recommend the adoption of such rules and regulations as are in force in the oldest and best-established state libraries. New York, Indiana and California rules have been fully examined by three members of the board; from these pamphlets can be selected a simple code of rules suitable for our library. Even the smallest libraries find it necessary to prohibit personal matters engrossing the attention of the assistants, as well as the head of the staff.

Our main stack room is our reading room, therefore loud talking should be prohibited there. It is almost universally conceded that smoking in a library is very much out of place. These matters will, in a little while, adjust themselves, but there should be system in everything about the machinery of the library, as in all other departments of the state.

Public Documents.

The distribution and care of state documents in Montana is unfortunately nobody's especial business. A sort of happy-go-lucky spirit has been manifested in the past, very much to the detriment of our set of state publications.

The law in one section states that an officer may give the state library ten of his reports (see Superintendent of Public Instruction). Indeed, it seems a different law governs nearly every officer in the distribution of his reports. The states best governed in the distribution of documents leave the matter in the hands of one of two persons, either the Secretary of State or the State Librarian. Reports are sent directly from the public printer to him, and he attends to giving them out in a proper way.

There is a great waste of printed matter by allowing each officer to have entire control of the distribution. He should call upon the Secretary of State or Librarian with a list of the persons he wishes to receive his report, but the larger part should remain in the hands of the superintendent of documents, if you please to so call the custodian.

State libraries, large city libraries and local libraries are the places where people naturally seek information desired from these reports. These libraries are the legitimate, the proper channels through which to reach the public. Your attention has been called to this in former reports. It yet remains a fact, we have scarcely a complete set of reports of any officer or department in our state. In one case the official, when importuned for fifty copies of his report, looked as though he thought I was out of my head to ask for such a number, and acted as though it was a personal favor bestowed upon the librarian when he gave her ten copies, yet that same official will no doubt think it strange when he calls for a complete set of some department work to find that the library does not possess such a file, notwithstanding the librarian has begged so hard for them.

Something should be done at this session of the Legislative Assembly in regard to the care and distribution of state documents. No more important matter is before us than this. We have never had copies of Senate and House Journals to send to a **single library** and are lucky to get a copy ourselves. One gentlemen, in writing us, said: "The history of legislation upon any given topic is naturally sought for in Journals of Legislative Assemblies, or constitutional conventions. To ascertain what steps have been taken in the matter he is investigating the student goes to his state library only to learn that 'Montana never sends us any journals of its legislative bodies.'"

Our state cannot afford longer to permit this loose method of distribution of its state documents to exist. Another matter. There has never been to my knowledge a check list of Montana state documents published. It would be pretty hard, perhaps, to complete such a list, but one should be made. The library has many calls for such a list. The office of the Secretary of State has perhaps the material from which such a list could be prepared.

Exchange.

There is a constant demand on the library, far in excess of the supply, for state documents of past years, as well as exchange of current reports. There are at the same time lying about the state, in homes and offices, a number of duplicates of these documents which we would be glad to get, and the owners would like to be rid of. We have written hundreds of letters to former officers and legislators in our own state, and have gotten a large number in reply to our appeal, and these have been sent to state libraries to help complete sets.

Patent Office Reports.

No set of documents are oftener called for than Patent Office documents, as this is the only complete collection in the state, or even adjoining states. Consultation of these unwieldy books often requires the use of many volumes, and more accessible means should be arranged in the near future by having a suitable room convenient of access for our valuable set of United States Patent Specifications. They are now in the sub-basement.

Newspapers.

The increasing demand for newspaper files convinces your librarian that no mistake has been made in the policy of preserving complete duplicate files. In the storage room are hundreds of volumes needing attention at once. The plan has been to wrap carefully from dust and light every unbound volume, mark the date and name of paper on the end of package and place upon shelves ready for use. Many of these files should be bound immediately; some may be preserved for loaning, others for scrapbook work, but the great amount of labor expended to put them in proper shape will call for additional help for a short time only.

We should have the best of binding for newspaper files. They are used so constantly that they soon come apart unless well bound. The patrons of the newspaper rooms include lawyer, politician, reporter and student of state as well as national history. I would urge a good appropriation for binding and purchase of newspaper files. The newspaper men of the state have been generous in giving their papers and we should be careful to preserve them in the best of binding.

Not many state libraries possess the early files of their papers and many of them are purchasing, paying large sums for them. We have our first paper, the Montana Post, presented by its proprietor, Mr. D. W. Tilton. We have also loaned to us a complete file of the Herald, which we should own. There are 254 volumes in the lot. We append a list of newspapers and magazines now received in the library.

The value of 1,500 bound volumes of newspapers now in our library can hardly be estimated in dollars and cents. The older ones have to be watched carefully, and all prior to 1897 need mending. They were not in good shape when bound. It is our aim to go over all of the older ones and mend them.

Our readers are generally very careful of these volumes and handle them as if they understood their value.

Louisiana Purchase Exhibit.

The library has been represented in St. Louis at the State House by the loan of the picture of Governor Edgerton, first territorial governor, and portrait of Governor Toole, first state governor. We also loaned a complete set of our Historical Society volumes, to be placed in the men's reading room, and a large collection of photographs of the interior of the State Capitol and State Library.

We gave several sets of the same views to the Educational Exhibit, so that when one set became badly soiled they could be replaced by clean, fresh ones. Altogether our photographic exhibit cost us \$100. It was not deemed best to send our Indian collection nor our large collection of old, rare books. The law contemplates that the flora of the state shall be exhibited in our state collection. We, therefore, after consultation with Prof. Blankinship, consented to give \$100 towards the collection he was preparing for St. Louis, on condition that at least 800 specimens should be returned to us after the Lewis and

Clark Fair, properly arranged for our cases that we have in the west corridor. His bills are not all in, but it is money well invested to secure a collection splendidly mounted, scientifically arranged, labeled properly, in every way such as Sec. 2384 contemplates.

Museum.

The growth of the museum has been phenomenal. From two small cases in the Court House rooms in 1890 it has grown to ten large regular museum cases filling the entire west corridor at the present date. Interest in it increases constantly. It should be catalogued and articles marked in red wax numbers and book catalogues should be hung on the cases so persons could read for themselves the history of each article by its number. When the plans to return the exhibit from the Lewis and Clark Fair are fully carried out the entire lower corridor will be filled with a rare and interesting collection of the state's resources in minerals, grains, fruit, etc., making altogether a small fair or exposition in itself. There are some specimens the state ought to buy, namely, the buffalo heads in the rotunda, so kindly loaned by Mrs. Henry Williams, of Butte. The law says an exhibit of the flora and fauna shall be kept in the State Historical Library, but makes no provision for securing the same. We ought no longer to expect such valuable specimens to be donated. Among the most important gifts since the last report are the cannon from the Philippines, by Col. Kessler, and the carriage on which it rested, presented by the soldiers of the First Montana Regiment, and a cart for carrying large shells at Sanitago, presented by Major J. G. Sanders.

There are relics and curios gathered by Smithsonian and state institutions constantly from the rich fields in Montana. Surely some of these should be kept at home in the State Capitol and state schools. We hear frequently of mastodon bones, of petrifactions of great value having been secured by outside parties. Let us arouse state pride and spend some time and means to preserve these priceless specimens for Montana students.

Senator Clark gave cheerfully a thousand dollars for the Indian collection presented us and Mr. E. W. Toole's collection of birds became an incentive to others to go and do likewise, and we now have twice the number of specimens of birds, given by other citizens.

A case for Zayas' collection of Cuban arms, now stored in

boxes in the sub-basement, is required, also a case for the Kipp Indian things and old millstone and grindstone from Fort Owen, brought from Belgium in 1842, and presented by the Catholic fathers, together with Father Ravalli's chair and other pieces of handwork. The newly elected State Treasurer, Col. Rice, kindly aided in securing these last valuable relics.

Portraits.

At a meeting of the board of trustees July 5, 1902, the following resolution was passed:

Resolved, That in the judgment of this board, to secure and preserve for all future time the portraits and biographies of men, the records of whose lives are of historic value to the state, is in accord with the objects and purposes of the historical department of the State Library, and of great interest and importance to future generations. Therefore, the secretary is hereby directed to address a written request, with a copy of this resolution, to each of the U. S. Senators, Representatives and Delegates in Congress, from the Territory and State of Montana, to each of the Judges of the Supreme Court thereof, to each member of the Constitutional Convention and of the first Territorial and State Legislatures, to the first Territorial and State officers, to the explorers, Lewis and Clark, and to each of the Generals who commanded in battles fought within the present limits of the state; to the first Bishops and pioneer preachers of the different religious denominations, and prominent Indian chiefs, to each of the well-known pioneers of the state in business and professional life; miners, trappers, farmers and stockgrowers, asking them or some descendant of theirs to contribute to this library a life-size bust portrait in oil, to be the property of the state in the custody of this library in perpetuity.

As a result we have received in the past two years and have had promised us about twenty-nine oil portraits of prominent citizens of the state, most of which were painted by Mr. Freeman Thrope, of Washington, D. C.

We consider these our most valuable additions to the library, as such collections are so regarded by all Historical Societies, many deem them of such value that they purchase them themselves, while ours are given us.

The press, in speaking of the recent fire in the Missouri

building at St. Louis, states that perhaps nothing was more regretted than the loss of the fine collection of portraits of Missouri governors and supreme judges.

The following list came in response to the foregoing resolution:

Oil Paintings in the Historical Library.

Judges—Hon. D. S. Wade, Hon. H. Knowles, Hon. F. H. Woody.

U. S. Senators—Hon. T. C. Power, Hon. Lee Mantle, Hon. Paris Gibson.

Delegate in Congress—Hon. W. W. Dixon.

Governors—Hon. B. F. Potts, Hon. S. T. Hauser, Hon. P. H. Leslie, Hon. J. K. Toole, Hon. J. E. Rickards, Hon. R. B. Smith.

Capitol Commission—Mr. A. D. Peck, Mr. E. Beach, Mr. T. L. Greenough, Mr. T. Cruse, Mr. H. L. Frank.

State Treasurer—Mr. A. H. Barret.

Prominent Business Men—Mr. C. A. Broadwater, Hon. C. Kohrs, Mr. A. M. Holter, Mr. A. J. Davis.

Mr. J. A. Mills, newspaper man; Dr. O. P. Whitford, Gen. Nelson A. Miles, U. S. A.; Col. H. C. Kessler, Colonel First Montana Regiment, Spanish-American war; Mr. Chas. P. Chouteau, St. Louis, Mo.; Grover Cleveland.

At the above mentioned meeting of the board of trustees a resolution of thanks was also passed to the pioneer citizens who had already contributed paintings and photographs to the library, among which are Col. Wm. F. Wheeler, a former librarian of the Historical Library; X. Beidler, James Fergus, Thomas Connor, Gen. Francis Meagher, Capt. Geo. Tilly, Edward Cardwell, D. H. Weston, and others. There are also a great number of large photographs, including the first railroad engineers, U. S. Deputy Marshals and groups of old settlers, which we trust we may have in oil portraits in the near future.

EXPENSE ACCOUNT HISTORICAL AND MISCELLANEOUS LIBRARY.
 Appropriation, 1903 \$2,500.00

War- rant No.	Date.	In Favor of	Amount.	Account of
36351	Mar. 9	Northern Pac. Exp. Co.	\$0 84	Expressage
36354	Mar. 9	A. P. Curtin Book & Stationery Co.	13 80	Paper, paste(rules of order, etc
36524	Mar. 11	State Pub. Co.	2 75	Supplies
36529	Mar. 11	Nor. Pac. Exp. Co.	60	Expressage
36545	Mar. 11	A. P. Curtin	2 00	Supplies
36558	Mar. 11	Rocky M. Bell Tel. Co.	8 80	Toll
36894	Apr. 2	Independent Pub. Co.	40 95	Binding volumes
36894	Apr. 2	Independent Pub. Co.	29 95	Printing envelopes
36894	Apr. 2	Independent Pub. Co.	87 65	Binding pamphlets
36897	Apr. 2	Fortune Florence	180 00	Dec., Jan. and Feb. salary
36898	Apr. 21	Independent Pub. Co.	4 50	Supplies
36991	Apr. 21	State Pub. Co.	3 30	Paste, twine and rubber bands
36991	Apr. 21	State Pub. Co.	1 20	Twine
36992	Apr. 21	N. P. Exp. Co.	2 33	Express
36992	Apr. 21	N. P. Exp. Co.	3 15	Express
36992	Apr. 21	N. P. Exp. Co.	3 62	Express
37004	Apr. 21	Daividson, N. N.	12 20	Stamps, postals wrappers
37026	Apr. 21	Fortune Florence	60 00	March salary
37027	Apr. 21	Moriarity, J. M.	5 00	Five platino photos
37028	Apr. 21	Howey, Laura E.	14 50	Hauling ,etc
37029	Apr. 21	Robert Clark Co.	328 50	Art work design and half tones
37020	Apr. 21	Helena Art & Wall Pa- per Co.	248 95	Frames for maps, etc
37036	Apr. 21	R. M. Bell Bel. Co.	35	Toll
37036	Apr. 21	R. M. Bell Bel. Co.	2 50	Toll
37600	May 19	Curtin Book & Sta. Co.	2 00	2 copies Jefferson's manual.....
37602	May 19	Moore Book & Sta. Co.	6 30	Subscription for papers
37603	May 19	N. P. Expres Co.	2 94	Express
37610	May 19	State Nursery Co.	2 50	Hire of plants for Schley recep.
37611	May 19	Redpath, J. Frank.	2 00	Finishing 2 pair deer horns.....
31612	May 19	Poor, H. V. & H. W.	10 00	One copy Poor's Manual
37613	May 19	Polk & Co., R. L.	11 00	Butte and Gt. Falls Directory
37614	May 19	Fortune, Florence	60 00	April salary
37615	May 19	Bradley, A. H.	19 50	Cleaning and placing buffalo and elk heads
37632	May 19	R. M. Bell Tel. Co.	35	Services
37675	May 19	Larkin, Thos. H.	6 00	2 days labor
37863	June 16	Independent Pub. Co.	13 60	Envelopes and letterheads
37863	June 16	Independent Pub. Co.	44 50	Binding volumes
37864	June 16	State Pub. Co.	7 10	Pencils, paste and letter file
37874	June 16	Davidson, N. N.	10 20	Postage stamps and wrappers
37875	June 16	Spurzem, Joseph	6 50	Hauling
37876	June 16	Johnson, Chas. N.	10 00	Copy official proceedings
37877	June 16	Howey, Laura E.	17 95	Books and subscriptions
37878	June 16	Larkin, Thos. H.	1 50	Labor
37879	June 16	Sands Bros. Co.	11 78	Cheesecloth and wadding
37880	June 16	Davidson, Samuel	2 00	Labor
37881	June 16	Curtin B. & St. Co. A. P.	3 00	1 copy Bond Values
37882	June 16	Fortune, Florence	60 00	May salary
37883	June 16	Dodd, Mead & Co.	12 00	Book
37887	June 16	Curtin, A. P.	50	Sewing leather chair
37896	June 16	R. M. Bell Tel. Co.	6 00	Services
38104	July 20	Independent Pub. Co.	26 65	Supplies
38120	July 20	Robt. Clark Co.	2 40	Photographs
38121	July 20	Dodd, Mead & Co.	6 00	Books
38122	July 20	Davidson, N. N.	2 20	Supplies
37123	July 20	Curtin B. & St. Co. A. P.	12 00	Books and supplies
38124	July 20	Metten, G. R.	2 50	Reading glass
38125	July 20	Polk & Co., R. L.	5 00	Directory
38126	July 20	Howey, Laura E.	6 88	Moneys advanced
38127	July 20	Fortune, Florence	60 00	June salary
38132	July 20	Curtin, A. P.	2 50	Repairing chair

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38149	July 21	Polk & Co., R. L.....	5 00	Directory
38152	July 21	State Pub. Co.....	95	Pencils and erasers
38153	July 21	Great Nor. Exp. oC.....	30 28	Express
38153	July 21	Great Nor. Exp. oC.....	3 50	Express
38155	July 21	N. P. Exp. Co.....	16 62	Express
38886	Aug. 6	Fortune, Florence	60 00	July salary
38697	Aug. 18	Independent Pub. Co.....	2 50	Binding one volume
38688	Aug. 18	Martin, John Co.....	9 35	5 vols. Montana Journal
38689	Aug. 18	A P Curtin B. & Sta. Co	2 50	Books
38690	Aug. 18	Kolb, W. A.....	23 00	Bones of mastodon
38691	Aug. 18	Helena Art & Wall Pa- per Co	17 00	Framing picture
38692	Aug. 18	G. N. Exp. Co.....	20 82	Expressage
38693	Aug. 18	Scheuwe & Rossman	20 00	1 bear skin
38764	Sept. 18	Davidson, N. N.....	5 00	50 postal cards
39050	Sept. 22	Clark, A. S.....	20 65	4 vols. American State Papers.
39051	Sept. 22	Smith, F. P.....	1 00	Expense account
39052	Sept. 22	N. P. Express Co	4 49	Expressage
39053	Sept. 22	G. N. Express Co.....	2 47	Expressage
39054	Sept. 22	A P Curtin B. & Sta. Co	4 00	Books
39055	Sept. 22	Chas. Scribners Sons	34 00	Books
39056	Sept. 22	Hahn, Lynn	3 00	3 days work
39057	Sept. 22	Independent Pub. Co.....	1 25	25 Independents
39058	Sept. 22	Stechert, G. E.....	92 50	Books
39059	Sept. 22	State Pub. Co.....	5 00	2 rolls wrapping paper
39060	Sept. 22	R. M. Bell Tel. Co.....	8 15	Services
39218	Oct. 20	Davidson, N. N.....	3 00	150 2c stamps
39219	Oct. 20	Hahn Hume	1 50	Service
39220	Oct. 20	Smith F. P.....	2 30	Expense account
39221	Oct. 20	Fortune Florence	60 00	August salary
39222	Oct. 20	State Pub. Co.....	2 45	Typewriter ribbon and paper
39223	Oct. 20	Bradley, A. H.....	35 00	Mountain bear and 2 birds
39290	Oct. 20	R. M. Bell Tel. o.....	2 45	Services
39442	Oct. 31	Fiske, E. W.....	6 75	Carpenter work
39676	Nov. 16	Smith, F. P.....	2 50	Expense account
39677	Nov. 16	Stokes, Mary A.....	153 00	Services
39678	Nov. 16	Benson, Carpenter & Co	5 60	Drayage
39679	Nov. 16	Hahn, Hume	1 50	Hauling mail
39680	Nov. 16	A P Curtin B. & Sta Co	2 35	Books
39691	Nov. 16	Hahn, Lynne	1 00	1 days labor
39692	Nov. 16	Helena Art & Wall Pa- per Co.....	28 00	Framing pictures
39683	Nov. 16	N. P. Express oC.....	2 50	Expressage
39684	Nov. 16	Fortune, Florence	60 00	Assistant in library
39685	Nov. 16	Redpath, J. Frank	2 75	Preserving horns and bones
39686	Nov. 16	R. H. Whitten & Co....	30 60	Books
39687	Nov. 16	Larkin, Thos. H.....	9 00	3 days labor
39876	Nov. 16	Larkin, Thos. H.....	6 00	2 days labor
		Total	\$2,304 67	

EXPENSE ACCOUNT HISTORICAL AND MISCELLANEOUS LIBRARY.

Appropriation, 1904 \$2,503 00
 Balance Nov. 30, 1904 3 80

Warrant No.	Date.	In favor of	Amount.	Account of
40002 Dec.	31	Larkin, Thos. H.	\$3 08	1 days labor
40297 Dec.	21	Independent Pub. Co.	895 41	Printing
40479 Dec.	22	Sands Bros. Co.	16 05	Cloth
40480 Dec.	22	Elite Photo Supply Co.	5 75	Photos
40481 Dec.	22	Smith, F. P.	2 50	Expense account
40482 Dec.	22	Robt. Clark Co.	11 18	Books
40483 Dec.	22	Hahn, Hume	3 00	Labor
40484 Dec.	22	Helena Art & Wall Pa- per Co.	9 70	Framing pictures
40485 Dec.	22	Howey, Laura E.	1 95	Monies advanced
40486 Dec.	22	Fortune, Florence	60 00	Salary clerk
40487 Dec.	22	Carley, Ancil D.	13 00	Painting chairs
40488 Dec.	22	Benson, Carpenter & Co.	7 45	Drayage
40489 Dec.	22	R. L. Polk & Co.	15 00	Directories
40555 Dec.	22	State Pub. Co.	10 90	Stationery, etc
40560 Dec.	22	R. M. Bell Tel. Co.	8 85	Telephone service
40561 Dec.	22	Brown, W. E.	7 75	Rep. and cleaning typewriters
40817 Jan.	21	Smith, F. P.	2 50	Expense account
40818 Jan.	21	N. P. Express Co.	20 38	Expressage
40819 Jan.	21	Bradley, A. H.	35 00	Taxidermy work
40820 Jan.	21	Fortune, Florence	60 00	Dec. salary clerk
40821 Jan.	21	Murphy, Mary	38 50	10 days labor
40822 Jan.	21	Hill, Colin	80 00	32 days labor
40823 Jan.	21	Baas, John	85 00	34 days labor
40824 Jan.	21	Sands Bros. Co.	4 85	Cheese cloth
40825 Jan.	21	Redpath, J. Frank	16 75	Painting
40826 Jan.	21	Curtin Book & Sta. Co.	4 75	Books and stationery
40827 Jan.	21	Helena Light & Trac Co.	8 20	Power
40875 Jan.	22	Independent Pub. Co.	13 15	Supplies and printing
40879 Jan.	22	DeCamp, Mrs. E. C.	5 00	5 days labor
40880 Jan.	22	Holmes, Geo. B.	3 00	1 1/2 days labor
40940 Feb.	1	Taylor W. H.	59 50	Negatives
41102 Feb.	5	Holmes, Geo. B.	7 50	Labor in library
41104 Feb.	15	Independent Pub. Co.	37 50	Printing, binding, etc
41298 Feb.	16	Helena Light & Trac Co.	136 75	Wiring book cases
41299 Feb.	16	Baas, John	22 90	9 days labor
41300 Feb.	16	Smith, F. P.	1 25	Expense account
41301 Feb.	16	Curtin, A. P.	3 75	Upholstering
41302 Feb.	16	Currah, J. C. & C. W.	172 25	Repairing
41303 Feb.	16	Sands Bros. Co.	13 25	Carpet, etc
41304 Feb.	16	Redpath, J. Frank	7 25	Painting
41305 Feb.	16	Fortune, Florence	60 00	Salary clerk
41308 Feb.	16	R. M. Bell Tel. Co.	10 00	Telephone service
41312 Feb.	16	State Pub. Co.	1 80	Stationery, etc
41437 Mar.	31	Davidson, N. N.	5 80	Postals and wrappers
41439 Mar.	31	Independent Pub. Co.	10 00	Job work
41439 Mar.	31	Independent Pub. Co.	12 35	Letterheads and envelopes
41439 Mar.	31	Independent Pub. Co.	25 00	50 vols. bound
41614 Mar.	23	Fortune, Florence	60 00	Feb. salary assistant
41615 Mar.	23	Smith, F. P.	1 90	Expense account
41616 Mar.	23	McClurg & Co. A. C.	20 10	Periodicals
41617 Mar.	23	Engineer. & Min. Jour.	4 63	Journals
41618 Mar.	23	Curtin B. & Sta. Co. A. P.	3 10	Supplies
41619 Mar.	23	Glenn, Emma M.	24 00	Work on manuscript book
41620 Mar.	23	Lee, F. E.	4 00	Transferring
41646 Mar.	23	Benson, Carpenter & Co.	4 25	Transferring
41646 Mar.	23	Benson, Carpenter & Co.	2 90	Transferring
41647 Mar.	23	G. N. Express Co.	32 41	Expressage
41648 Mar.	23	N. P. Express Co.	10 37	Expressage
41694 Mar.	23	Murphy, Harry W.	75 00	Lumber and labor
41814 Apr.	18	Independent Pub. Co.	52 15	Stationery, printing, etc
42010 Apr.	19	Fortune, Florence	60 00	Salary clerk

War- rant No.	Date.	In Favor of	Amount.	Account of
42011	Apr. 19	Currah, J. C. & C. W.	1.25	Repairing, etc
42012	Apr. 19	Davidson, N. N.....	3.00	Postage stamps
42013	Apr. 19	Curtin B. & Sta. Co A P	9.05	Books, stationery, etc
42014	Apr. 19	Taylor, W.	102.00	Negatives
42015	Apr. 19	State Pub. Co.....	23.65	Stationery
42016	Apr. 19	Kolbe, May E.	25.00	Services clerk
42017	Apr. 19	Bradley, A. H.....	3.00	Taxidermy
42379	May 16	Fortune, Florence	90.00	1 1-2 months salary
42380	May 16	Benson, Carpenter & Co	3.60	Drayage
42406	May 16	R. M. Bell Tel. Co.....	11.15	Telephone service
		Total	\$2,691.53	

EXPENSE ACCOUNT—RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, Dec. 1902	\$0.80
Received from sale of Vols. I, II, III and IV, Historical Society Contributions	138.85
From First Nat'l Bank dividends	1.75
From Merchants' Nat'l Bank dividends .....	.71
Reimbursement for express advanced.....	77.50
From Frank Hall, Republic, Wash., for copying	1.25
From E. M. Gardner, Bozeman, Mont., for copying	5.00
Total Receipts	\$155.86

EXPENDED BY CHECK AS FOLLOWS

Date.	In Favor of	Amount.	Account of
1902			
Dec. 8	Mary Pew	\$4.00	Stamps, Money Order, etc.....
Dec. 9	Mary A. Stokes	3.00	Pictures
Dec. 26	Laura E. Howey	80	Stationery
1903			
Jan. 5	Mary Pew	2.50	Stationery
Feb. 26	Mary C. Pew	3.50	Stationery, etc
Feb.	Publishers Advertising League	3.00	Books
Feb. 26	Joe Pierson .....	.50	Services
Mar. 16	Mary Pew .....	.50	Stamps
Mar. 17	Mary Pew	2.00	Stamps, etc
Apr. 28	W. Scott	1.00	Half tone
Apr. 28	Publishers Advertising League	4.00	Books
May 1	Emil Sarz	1.25	Camphor gum
May 4	Joe Pierson .....	.50	Services
May 13	Western Union Telegraph Co.	1.00	Telegram
June 16	Publishers Advertising League	2.00	Books
July 1	Mrs. Laura E. Howey	5.00	Supplies
July 21	Publishers Advertising League	20.00	Books
Sept. 1	Black & Landt	1.50	Carpenter work
Sept. 1	Hume Hahn	1.50	Services
Sept. 2	Publishers Advertising League	2.20	Books
Sept. 9	Samuel M. Simons	2.00	Adhesive paper
Oct. 9	Delia A. Kellogg	2.00	Book
Dec. 3	Emil Starz	1.00	Book
Dec. 5	E. C. DeCamp	1.00	Carfare and stamps
Dec. 7	Delia A. Kellogg .....	.75	Books
Dec. 11	Joseph Pierson .....	.75	Services
Dec. 16	Western Union Tel. Co.	1.90	Telegram
Dec. 18	Ludlow & Smythe .....	.65	Freight

Date.	In Favor of	Amount.	Account of
Dec. 18	Public School Journal	1 00	Journal
Dec. 23	Guy Allen	75	Services
Dec. 23	Black & Landt	3 50	Carpenter work
Dec. 26	Geo. A. Gotschall	6 00	Labor
Dec. 26	Mary Pew	1 00	Cartfare
1904			
Jan. 2	Arthur Curtin	1 00	Mending chair
Jan. 4	Mary Pew	1 20	Expenses
Jan. 12	Mary Pew	1 75	Stationery
Jan. 22	D. W. Tilton	60	Papers
Jan. 22	F. E. Lee	1 50	Transfer
Jan. 23	Mary Pew	75	Paper wrappers
Jan. 25	Thorward Solberg	50	Copyright
Feb. 1	Mary Pew	2 50	Cartfare and stamps
Feb. 1	Black & Landt	1 50	Carpenter work
Feb. 1	Hume Hahn	2 00	Services
Feb.	Wommeldorf's	60	Nails, etc
Feb.	Emil Starz	1 90	Alcohol
Feb.	Public Libraries	1 00	Subscription
Feb. 16	John Baas	2 50	Labor
Feb.	Harry Murphy	1 00	Labor
Mar.	Mrs. Tupper	50	Souvenirs
Mar.	Hume Hahn	50	Services
Mar.	Library Bureau	5 00	Catalogue
Mar.	W. A. Moore	65	Papers
Mar.	Charles Church	2 15	Key
Apr.	Mary Pew	7 25	Library Bureau, etc
Apr.	Hume Hahn	75	Services
Apr.	Library Bureau	4 00	Library supplies
Apr.	Mrs. Georgie Heldt	3 50	Book
Apr.	Mary Pew	50	Stamps
Nov. 28	Benson, Carpenter & Co	5 46	Freight
	Total	\$114 61	

NOT DEPOSITED.

Date.	Expended by	Amount.	Account of
1902			
Dec. 13	Mary Pew	\$1 75	Stationery
1903			
Sept. 20	Mary Pew	50	Cartfare
Sept. 30	Mary Pew	50	Cartfare
Oct. 6	Mary Pew	7 50	Supplies
1904			
Jan. 4	Mary Pew	50	Stamps
May 17	Mary Pew	5 00	Library Bureau
June 9	Mary Pew	4 00	Stamps
Sept. 6	Mary Pew	6 00	Mrs. Todd, substitute
Oct. 24	Ashley Billings	5 00	Stationery
Nov. 23	Mary Pew	10 00	Stationery and supplies
	Total	\$41 25	
	Total Expenditures	\$155 86	

VOLUME V. OF CONTRIBUTIONS.

The volume just issued of the Historical Society Contributions is much larger than any preceding one, and of course more expensive, but it contains material of more than ordinary moment. A glance over the table of contents shows the names of some of the best writers and speakers the state has had, notably Capt. Mills, Judge Munson, Judge Blake and others. The corps of contributors alone will create a demand for the volume greater than we can supply.

The account of Montana at St. Louis, with illustrations of exhibits, is the first history preserved from all the various fairs and international exhibits since 1876, and for this reason alone no one should regret the money invested in this volume. The history of the First Montana Regiment begins in this volume; a picture of its flag is the frontispiece, adding interest and enhancing its value as a history of the state.

The old-time illustrations and sketches of early governors and judges will be enjoyed by all citizens, new and old. It is to be hoped the volume will give as much real pleasure to its readers and to our own people particularly, as it has to the persons who have contributed the chapters.

In the editing of the volume, Miss Pew has been an invaluable aid, painstaking in reading proof and helpful in lettering illustrations. It is due her that special mention be made of her faithfulness.

In glancing hurriedly over the suggestions herein contained we have made the following summary of important matters to bring before you.

Recommendations.

The furnishing or completion of the three vaults in the sub-basement.

Publication of 500 copies of the biennial report of the board, which will properly include the report of the librarian.

Publication of a book catalogue, 1905.

Publication of Volume VI. in 1906.

The employment of the trained assistants now in the library, placing each under bond of \$500, as is the custom.

A room across the hall from the library for workshop, and a place for oak cases we have on hand, which are needed for the overflow of books from main stackroom.

The assignment of one of the force of janitors for duty in our quarters.

The purchase of the Herald bound file of newspapers complete.

State library laws published in small pamphlet form.

A generous appropriation for new books which cannot be obtained by exchange for our volumes and to complete sets of books.

Rules and regulations similar to those in force in all state libraries.

Insurance for \$30,000.

Bulletins of accessions to be issued quarterly. These to include books received in both departments of the State Library.

It is entirely proper for the Historical Department to recommend the adoption of a state flag during this session of the legislature. No prettier one could be selected in my judgment than a blue field with our state seal in the center, as is shown in frontispiece of Volume V.

During the past two years we have moved **twice**, cleaned house several times, have torn down books on the main floor and in sub-basement twice, once for iron props to be put in place and once for cement floor, to be dug up for leaking pipes, and boards put down. In all of this confusion we have maintained pleasant relations with the board of trustees and we hope with all the occupants of the State Capitol.

We desire to acknowledge the uniform courtesy of all the state officers to this department, particularly the Governor, Secretary of State and Law Librarian.

Two members of the corps of janitors deserve special mention for their willingness to assist in the heavier duties devolving upon the librarian, such as opening boxes of books, etc.

Respectfully submitted,

LAURA E. HOWEY,

Secretary and Librarian.

**Current Newspapers on File in the Library Published in
Montana, 1904.**

The Age, Boulder.
American Labor Union Journal, Chicago, Ill.
Anaconda Standard.
Avant Courier, Bozeman.
Basin Progress, Basin.
Belt Valley Times, Belt.
Big Hole Breezes, Wisdom.
Big Timber Pioneer.
Billings Gazette.
Billings Times.
Bozeman Chronicle.
Bridger Tribune, Bridger.
Butte Inter-Mountain (daily).
Butte Daily News.
Butte Miner (daily).
Carbon County Chronicle, Red Lodge.
Chinook Opinion, Chinook.
Chinook Bulletin, Chinook.
Chouteau Montanian, Chouteau.
Chouteau Acantha, Chouteau.
Chouteau County Record, Harlem.
Dawson County Review, Glendive.
Dillon Examiner.
Dillon Tribune.
Enterprise, Malta.
Farmer and Stockman, Belgrade.
Fergus County Argus, Lewistown.
Flathead Herald-Journal, Kalispell.
Forsyth Times.
Free Press, Bridger.
Gallatin County Republican, Bozeman.
Glendive Independent.
Great Falls Leader (daily).
Great Falls Tribune.
Havre Plaindealer.
Havre Herald.
Helena Independent (daily).
Helena Churchman.
Hendricks Columbian, Columbia Falls.

I. O. G. T. News, Stevensville.
Independent, Miles City.
Joliet News, Joliet.
Kalispell Bee.
Lewistown Democrat.
Livingston Enterprise.
Livingston Post.
Madisonian, Virginia City.
Madison County Monitor, Twin Bridges.
Meagher Republican, White Sulphur Springs.
Missoula Journal.
Missoulian, Missoula (daily).
Missoulian, Semi-Weekly.
Milk River Valley News, Harlem.
Montana News, Helena.
Montana Catholic, Butte.
Montana Churchman, Butte.
Mountaineer, Marysville.
Montana Homestead, Hinsdale.
Montana Record, Helena (daily).
Montana Staats Zeitung, Helena.
Montana Sunlight, Whitehall.
Montana Workman, Townsend.
North Montana Review, Glasgow.
Northwest Tribune, Stevensville.
Philipsburg Call.
Philipsburg Mail.
Plainsman, Plains.
Pony Sentinel.
Powell County Record, Elliston.
The Prospector, Helena.
Ravalli Republican, Hamilton.
Red Lodge Picket.
Reveille, Butte.
River Press, Benton.
Rocky Mountain Husbandman, Great Falls.
Rocky Mountain Leader, Boulder.
Rocky Mountain Presbyterian, Bozeman.
Rosebud County News, Forsyth.
Searchlight, Culbertson.
Sentinel, Boulder.

Shelby Independent.
Sheridan Enterprise.
Silver State, Deer Lodge.
Stevensville Register.
Stockgrowers Journal, Miles City.
Stockman and Farmer, Helena.
Tribune-Review, Butte.
Tricounty News, Columbus.
Townsend Star.
Tobacco Plains Journal, Dewey.
Western News, Hamilton.
Western News, Libby.
W. C. T. U. Voice, Columbus.
Whitefish Pilot, Whitefish.
Wonderland, Gardiner.
Yellowstone Leader, Big Timber.
Yellowstone Journal, Miles City (daily).
Times, Virginia City.
Total, 100.

Current Magazines in Historical Library Published in Montana.

Kaimin, Missoula University.
Exponent, Bozeman Agricultural College.
Mountain Eagle, Helena.
Wide West Magazine, Butte.

**Current Newspapers in Historical Library Published Outside
Montana.**

Billings County Republican, Sentinel Butte, N. Dak.
Goodwins' Weekly, Salt Lake.
Salt Lake Herald, Salt Lake.
Rocky Mountain Herald, Denver.

Magazines in Historical Library.

Alumni Report, Phil. College Pharmacy.
American Catholic His. Soc. Mag., Philadelphia.
Annals of Iowa, Des Moines.
Bird Magazine, Worcester.
California Elk, San Jose.
Christianity in Earnest, Philadelphia.
Collier's, New York.
Conn. Magazine, Hartford.
The Elks Antler, New York.
Engineering and Mining Journal, New York.
The Frontier, Colorado Springs.
Hello Bill, Richmond.
Iowa Journal of History and Politics, Iowa City.
Jolly Elk, St. Paul, Minn.
Journal of Asso. Engineering Soc., Philadelphia.
Kentucky Elk, Louisville.
Lewis and Clark Journal, Portland.
Maxwell's Tailsman, Chicago.
Mining World, Chicago.
Ohio Archeologist and Historical Quarterly, Columbus.
Oregon Historical Review, Portland.
Outing, New York.
Outlook, New York.
Outwest, Los Angeles.
Pacific Monthly, Portland, Ore.
Pennsylvania Magazine, Philadelphia.
Quarterly Bulletin, Grand Lodge Iowa, Cedar Rapids.
Reliquary and Illus. Archaeology, London.
Revue Politique et Parlementaire, Paris.
Rocky Mountain Elk, Colorado Springs.
Saints Herald, Lamoni, Ia.
Southern Elk, New Orleans.
Suggestion, Chicago.
Sunset, San Francisco.
Western Elk, Sacramento.
West Virginia His. Mag., Charleston.
Wetmore's Weekly, St. Louis.
Wilshire's, New York.

Woman's Missionary Friend, Boston.

Virginia Magazine, Richmond.

Youth, Philadelphia.

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